

Delaware State Police Conducting Homicide Investigation – Clayton

Clayton – The Delaware State Police are investigating a homicide in the Clayton area that occurred Sunday afternoon.

At approximately 1:05 p.m. on Sunday April 25, 2021, troopers were dispatched to the 300 block of Hopewell Drive for a report of someone shot. Prior to their arrival, it was determined that the shooter was possibly still in the house with another person and was armed. Upon the initial troopers arrival, two people were located outside the residence with one male victim having apparent gunshot wounds to the upper extremity. Troopers were able to perform first aid on the victim and rescue him from the scene before he was placed in the care of Emergency Medical Services. The male victim was transported to an area hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Evacuations in the immediate area of the residence were made and robo-calls were made to residents in a one mile radius to alert them of the police activity.

The Delaware State Police Special Operations Team and Conflict Management Team responded to the scene in an attempt to establish communications with the suspect. After several attempts to contact the suspect with no answer, entry was made into the residence. Troopers then located two deceased subjects with apparent gunshot wounds.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is continuing the investigation into this incident. There does not appear to be any threat to the public and there are no other suspects involved in this investigation. This is an active and on-going investigation and further information will be released at a later time.

If anyone has any information regarding this case, please contact Detective Grassi at 302-365-8441.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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